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## **Items of Interest**

### ***Drug Enforcement Administration***

[Placement Of Tramadol Into Schedule IV; Notice Of Proposed Rulemaking](#)

### ***MedlinePlus***

[Drug 'Molly' Is Taking A Party Toll In The United States](#)

### ***Milwaukee WI Journal Sentinel***

[FDA Ok's High-Dose Narcotic Painkiller Zohydro, Raising Abuse Concerns](#)

### ***National Institutes of Health***

[NIDA's Drug Abuse Information For Teens Goes Mobile](#)

### ***National Safety Council***

[Prescription Nation – Addressing America's Prescription Drug Abuse Epidemic](#)

### ***New York Times***

[FDA Urging A Tighter Rein On Painkillers](#)

### ***NPR***

[FDA Shift On Painkillers Was Years In The Making](#)

[With Rise Of Painkiller Abuse, A Closer Look At Heroin](#)

### ***The Partnership at Drugfree.org***

[First Single-Ingredient Hydrocodone Drug Receives FDA Approval](#)

### ***U.S. Department of Justice***

[Johnson & Johnson Agrees To \\$2.2 Billion Drug Marketing Settlement](#)

### ***U.S. Food and Drug Administration***

[Buying Prescription Medicine Online: A Consumer Safety Guide](#)

### ***USA Today***

[FDA Cracks Down, Finally, On Painkillers: Our View](#)

***The Wall Street Journal***

[Health Matters: New Prescription For Surgical Pain For Veterans With PTSD, A New Demon: Their Meds](#)

***WebMD***

[Longer Detox For Prescription Pain Med Addiction](#)

## **Prescription Drug Studies and Research**

***Journal of the American Academy of Pediatrics***

[Nonmedical Prescription Opioid And Sedative Use Among Adolescents In The Emergency Department](#)

***MedlinePlus***

[Drugged Driving Plays Major Role In Traffic Deaths](#)

[One In 10 Teens Has Misused Prescription Painkillers: Survey](#)

***Partnership at Drugfree.org***

[Access To Dentists And Pharmacists Predicts Higher Rates Of Opioid Abuse: Study](#)

## **Upcoming Training Opportunities and Conferences**

### ***December***

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|-------|--|
| 2-5   | <a href="#"><u>Veterans Treatment Court Conference</u></a>                               |
| 10-12 | <a href="#"><u>Drug Law Enforcement Training Program (law enforcement only)</u></a>      |
| 11-12 | <a href="#"><u>Institute for Health Technology Transformation - Health IT Summit</u></a> |

### ***January***

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|-------|--|
| 6     | <a href="#"><u>Prescribed: Fighting the War on Prescription Drugs (law enforcement only)</u></a> |
| 16-18 | <a href="#"><u>The American Society for Automation in Pharmacy Annual Conference</u></a>         |
| 28-29 | <a href="#"><u>5th Annual Different Faces of Substance Abuse Conference</u></a>                  |

### ***February***

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|--------|--|
| 3-6    | <a href="#"><u>Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) 24<sup>th</sup> National Leadership Forum</u></a> |
| 15-19  | <a href="#"><u>16<sup>th</sup> Annual Pain Management Symposium</u></a>  |
| 19-21  | <a href="#"><u>Generic Pharmaceutical Association Annual Meeting</u></a>   |
| 27-3/1 | <a href="#"><u>2014 Addiction Health Summit</u></a>  |

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